EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS HONOLULU

June 20, 2003

STATEMENT OF OBJECTIONS TO SENATE BILL NO. 209

Honorable Members Twenty-Second Legislature State of Hawaii

Pursuant to Section 16 of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii, I am returning herewith, without my approval, Senate Bill No. 209, entitled "A Bill for an Act Relating to Public Employment."

The purpose of this bill is to appropriate \$60,000 for fiscal year 2003-2004 to the Department of Education to convert ten-month certificated positions to twelve-month certificated positions to provide services for multi-track year-round schools within the State of Hawaii.

While I believe that services are needed for multitrack schools, I also believe that the Department of Education already has existing capacity within its budget to provide the additional services that are required by the four schools in question. It would not be fiscally prudent to fund these services with a new appropriation from the general fund at a time when the State is facing a projected budget deficit of more than

For the foregoing reasons, I am returning Senate Bill No. 209 without my approval.

Respectfully,

LINDA LINGLE Governor of Hawaii

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, under Section 16 of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii, the Governor is required to give notice, by a proclamation, of the Governor's plan to return with the Governor's objections any bill presented to the Governor less than ten days before adjournment sine die or presented to the Governor after adjournment sine die of the Legislature; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill No. 209, entitled "A Bill for an Act Relating to Public Employment," passed by the Legislature, was presented to the Governor within the aforementioned period; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill No. 209 is unacceptable to the Governor of the State of Hawaii;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LINDA LINGLE, Governor of the State of Hawaii, do hereby issue this proclamation, pursuant to the provisions of Section 16 of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii, giving notice of my plan to return Senate Bill No. 209 with my objections thereon to the Legislature as provided by said Section 16 of Article III of the Constitution.

DONE at the State Capitol, Honolulu, State of Hawaii, this 20th day of June, 2003.

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